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ALLOTMENT OF ADDITIONAL FERTILIZERS
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Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) the district-wise quota of fertilizers allotted for Madhya Pradesh for coming Rabi crops, separately;

(b) the basis for fixing the said quota;

(c) whether the Kharif crop in the said areas is negligible because of very heavy rains in that areas during the current year and the farmers of these areas are solely dependent upon Rabi crop;

(d) if so, whether the Government proposes to allot fertilizers to these area in proportion to the area under cultivation; and

(e) if so, the reaction of the Union government?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS & FERTILIZERS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF MINES(SHRI B.K. HANDIQUE)

(a) to (e) : Urea is the only fertilizer which is under partial movement and distribution control of the Government. Union Government ensures availability of urea at state level. State governments are responsible for its distribution within the state. All other fertilizers like DAP, MOP, SSP and NPK etc. are decontrolled I de-canalized since 1992. The monthly supply plans for decontrolled fertilizers are drawn by manufacturers I importers of these fertilizers in consultation with the State Government. Therefore, the availability of Phosphatic and Potassic fertilizers is decided by the market forces of demand and supply. Government of Madhya Pradesh, Directorate of Agriculture, Bhopal have informed that the quota of fertilizers is fixed on the basis of district-wise demand and average consumption during last five years. The coverage of Kharif crop under different crops is about 106 lac hectare i.e., 100.6% of the targeted area. During current Rabi, the total sown area is 73.98 lac hectare i.e. 87% of the targeted area and there is no dependency of farmers solely upon Rabi crop. District-wise target of fertilizer for Madhya Pradeh for current Rabi 2008-09 is at Annexure.